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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2007 be extended for a period of one month from December 8, 2007 to January 8, 2008. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$120.

The required fee, estimated to be \$120, was charged to Novozymes North America, Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 50-1701 at the time of electronic filing.

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